

& Honor systems - introduction of a system for self-improvement, personality enrichment & individual achievement.

Chapter 10 The Private Camps.

"Camp is a bit of life in the open, where children are to gather educational experience from Nature; a place where they may listen to the silence of the stars & perhaps hear God speak. A place where they may hear catch his whisper in the still forest & see his hand in the faint traceries of a wild flower's petal. Make sure it is like that & the uniform will not matter."
Angelo Patri.

P. C. came into being because of educators & parents - sensed the need to counteract unwholesome tendencies of social changes which were affecting the natural growth of boys & girls during vacation period. Lums, Ruddey, etc. supplied during vacation outdoor environment where energy applied in a productive manner, where idleness of vacation turned into time for constructive occupation. Really started after (20). Run by 1 person, or groups.
1890 T. Y. S. Prof. Abbott. Tentative 40 boys
1891 a separate girls' camp - To provide ideal outing for young people, students have 580

good time. Health improved, love of nature ^{cultivated} improved.

1891 Camp Adlewild - Silver Lake Mass - oldest private camp for boys in continuous existence.

1892 - First Catholic Camps on Lake Champlain

1892 Camp Key in N. Y. - later only for girls.

1895 - Camp Chocoma Person. Mass. L. H. Whitcomb

First salt-water camp 1895 L. J. N. Y.

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1896 Camp Durcell

Camp idea is that every boy should be strong & beautiful & accomplished & good.

Chapter VII - Leadership Training. Conferences & Courses.

"Leadership is a magic word - a marvellous attainment - but the price you pay for it is tremendous. The splendid thing about it is that the more you pay the more you get. The more you give the more you have left. Pay out a small price, and the returns are meagre, but pay the supreme price of leadership and your reward is genius and immortality" - George H. Knox.

Trained leadership essential to accomplishment of permanent results. 1902 course outlined by Y. M. C. A. for leadership which was used in boys camps. Not til 1919 that training of leadership considered with any degree of seriousness.

First Training Conference - by the Nat. Assoc. of Directors of Girls' camps in 1919 at
Camp Tahoma, Pike, N. H. Miss Anna

Worthington Coale, director - swimming & canoeing conf. 1920 at Dr. John B. May's camp - Camp Wauwatawka - Ashland N. H. Miss May, Camp row Assoc. Prof. Dept of P.E. for women, S. U. of Iowa, attended & was on teaching staff of conf. at Camp Quinwick Fairlee, Vermont from 23-26. He contributed technical & contagious enthusiasm in the development of these training conf. - Had standards for Counsellor Training in Gen. Leadership, Horsemanship, C. Craft, Nat. Study, H. Craft, Dancing & Dance correctives. Trained Courses Introduced in Colleges.

Sept. of 2nd Aug. Ed. at Teachers College, Columbia sponsored 1st Camp Leadership course in 1920.

In 1920 - Nature Lore School opened by Dr. W. H. Nival at his Camp - Chesquesset, Wellfleet Mass. 6 days devoted to training for nature service.

1924 N. A. D. of U. C. & C. D. A. of Amer. were amalgamated; the C. D. A. continued to develop the training courses. A Training Conf. promoted in '25 - swimming & life saving; Canoeing; Campcraft & Nature Lore. For most part self-supporting.

June '27 6 courses presented - the above 4 & horsemanship & a new Counsellor Training Institute. In 1925 at a nat. meeting of C. D. A. the pres. Dr. Nival, called attention to the need of a "U" conducted by the C. D. A. where directors & counsellors might learn by theory & practice the art of camp management & leadership.

A committee on Ed. & Research was appointed at the Boston ~~Committee~~ Convention '36 for the purpose of studying the camping situation as it affects outcomes in the lives of students. 582

at the colleges & universities, & to suggest subjects for theses on camping to those seeking a Ph. D. degree.

Training Conferences and Institutes have been conducted by the A. R. C. C. F. Y., B. S. & U. S. Y. M. & W. C. A's., Councils of Social Agencies, Woodcraft League & many church organ. with satisfactory results.

Dr. George L. Meylan, an experienced teacher & camp director, writes, "the progress of camping as an educational movement depends upon the professional training & attitude of the director and counselor." The next decade will answer to the question of "whether camping will be truly creative or will it become a trailer of educational philosophy?"

Chapter 0.11

The Spread of American Camps to Other Lands.

The summer camp with its International campfires of Friendship may yet become the training centre in world cooperation, the place where high-minded youth may be marshalled for worthy social ends and the cultivation of world brotherhood among all people, everywhere.

Every age presents some mark of progress in the art & habit of living. In our age such progress is found in the fact that people have moved out of doors. Students from foreign countries attending Am. Colleges visited camps for boys & girls during the summer. Impressed with it all they returned to their native countries & introduced it to the youth who accepted the American way of living out of doors.

The Spartan System of Education. There is similarity between the Education of Spartan youth & the program carried on in the modern progressive organized camp. In the very land where the old Spartan boys experienced this highly organized educational system, there is now being conducted a modern organized camp.

1911 the American organized camping movement was carried to other lands by the Y. M. C. A.

First International Camp. '25 100 boys 16-19 18 nations - mostly boys of Asia, America & Europe - gathered on the shores of Lake Neuchâtel, Neumarcus, Switzer. for 1st Internat. camp under leadership of World Committee of Y. M. C. A. At last camp-fire a fire of Friendship and Service was lighted.

The Movement Spreads. 1926 - Helsingfors Fin.
1927 Windsor Eng. - Azigliget Hungary.
1928 near Vizhy - Holland Sweden for boys of N. Europe.
1928 Neumarcus - Swit. also in Germany Holland & for 1st time in Far East - Japan - boys of Pacific.
1929 Weingels - in old castle near Nuremberg. Germ. - 150 boys - 15 nations - 1 wk. In July camp held in Uzen near Nagasaki, Japan.
1930 - Denmark, Czechoslovakia Scotland.
1931 Toronto, Canada.
1932 India - Aust. India, Europe, Canada. 10 tongues - Hindu Buddhist Mohammedan Christian.
1933 Aug - 100 boys from Korea, Japan, China, Siam, Indian Philippine met in the Phil. Islands. Norway & Switzerland conducted camps also.
1935 Norway - near Oslo & 1936 Hatfield Park 689 near London.

Camp Knows No National Borders:- 2 camps on the border between Czechs-slovakia & Poland.

Camps for Japanese Girls - Uradomi - conducted by Japanese Mission of American Board. Students gather for conferences, rec. & devotional meetings. 6 camps in 1929. This was a parent for others.

English Visitors Study Camps - A no. of the Y. C. D. A in '26 accepted a suggestion from the Eng. Speaking Union to be sent to America to study the organized camp.

Remark Boys in American Camps - 1928-100 Danish boys visited several America camps. Year previous 100 A. boys visited D.

World Friendship thru' World Tours - 1924 Tour of American boys to Europe. - "to promote the idea of world outlook & world brotherhood among the boys of the nations of the world." 20 boys 16-18. 10 who visiting Eng. Fr. Bel. Hol. Nor. Swed. & Denmark.

Private Camps in Europe - organized camp in Europe conducted under auspices of institutions & organizations.

"The organized summer camp is the most important step in education that America has given to the world."

Camping should be a place for
dreaming, etc so well as a place
for physical actions.

Be positive in all things.
Let camper tell you what was
wrong not you tell him.
Spirit in camp is needed.

Camp Ed.

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Tents and cabins should be dry and airy. Blankets should be laid out in sun. If counselor cannot look after blankets for at least 1 hr. she should ask some one else to be responsible for bringing them in.

Beds should be made hospital style. Counselors job to see that camper does what she is supposed to do.

Wait and sit to see if things are done properly even if you (counselor) could leave it done improperly.

Do not let damp things remain inside tent or cabin if there is any sun at all.

Bathing suits should not be left on child wet.

Campers equipment should be named. Personal laundry wrapped in bundles and flat laundry usually handled by camp.

For Rest hr. usually 2 or 3 counselors have charged. Often reading by "Usually reads 1 or 2 hrs. Reading should be done at first of rest hr.

On trips personal hygiene is taken care of by c. ---. Cleans hands etc. take care of scratches, strains, etc plus regular toilet details.

Counsel fire used for small units. Charge & have camp. fire with campers of same age and to exchange ideas.

Campcraft.

I. Fires.

(a) Natural Tinder & Kindling

Tinder:-

1. Buck - bark - superior to rest. It is very inflammable - oil within itself - never ship solid - break from a live tree.
2. Pitch wood - fat pine is superior kindling - old stumps best source. Pine knots, also spruce and balsam - not hemlock.
3. Cedar Bark - scales loose from tree.
4. Hemlock bark.
5. Dry evergreen cones.
6. Fuzz - keep small & break off tree & keep dry.
7. Fuzz sticks - secure sticks of dry soft wood, 1' long 1" thick. Point end & little long slender shaving leaving them attached to stick. Quicker method to use fuzzed-up sticks.

II. Kindling

Softwoods - cedar, balsam, basswood, pine, spruce, quaking aspen. Split wood burn more readily than round sticks.

(b) Methods of Starting fires:-

There are 2 fundamental fires which are a basic element in practically all other fires.

1. The Wigwam fire -

Good for light in evening

First comes the quick bark or some kind of tinder, then a few softwood sticks from the size of a pencil up, tacked around it in wigwam fashion & lastly the hardwood sticks of finger & thumb size. Keep it tall & slender & small - 1' high & wide at the base.

2. Cusscross fire - First tinder - small wigwam fire not over 6" high - 4 base poles around wigwam with corners overlapping in log cabin effect. Build fire up in cuss-cross fashion until structure is 10-12" high. This fire type admits plenty of air & will quickly burn down to a uniformly spread bed of coals in a short time.

Fire Fundamentals.

1. Split wood burns better than unsplit wood.
2. Fire needs air.
3. Draft makes the fire burn.
4. Flames rise upward.
5. A fast burning fire is soon spent.
6. Flames for boiling & baking, coals for broiling & frying.
7. Softwoods for flame & quick start - hardwoods for coals & steady heat.
8. Keep fire small.
9. Put kettle on before you light fire.
10. Have all wood ready before fire is touched off.
11. Every fire should be planned before it is laid.
12. Fire built within 10' of water's edge.
13. Saturate fire with water before leaving.
14. If built in woods, build on solid earth.